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SUBJECT: CHIREP IN IMF/IBRD - LIKELY BELGIAN POSITION

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1. IN RECENT CONVERSTATION WITH EMBASSY, SENIOR AND INFLUENTIAL FINANCE MINISTRY ADVISOR JACQUES VAN YPERSELE EXPRESSED DOUBT BELGIAN GOVERNOR (HIS MINISTER) WOULD BE ACTIVE IN SUPPORT OF U.S. POSITION ON CHIREP. ADMITTING THAT HIS MINISTER WILL BEKE HIS LEAD FROM FOREIGN MINISTRY ADVISORS ON THIS ISSUE, NEVERTHELESS VAN YPERSELE MADE IT CLEAR THAT BEST U.S. CAN HOPE FOR FROM BELGIUM IS VOTES IN SUPPORT OF STRATEGY OUTLINED IN PARA. 4 OF REFTTEL. IF U.S. COUNTER-RESOLUTION FAILS, HOWEVER, BELGIANS LIKELY VOTE FOR EXPULSION OF REPUBLIC.

2. VAN YPERSELE NOTED THAT IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA REPRESENTATIVES AT BOTH IMF
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AND IBRD HAVE AGREED TO TAKE VERY LOW PROFILE, TO AVOID

VOTING ON CONTROVERSIAL QUESTIONS AND TO BE
"UNREPRESENTED" ON THE BOARDS. BELGIUM WAS QUITE
WILLING TO ACCEPT THIS SITUATION INDEFINITELY SO LONG AS
THE PRC'S FRIENDS ON THE BOARDS ARE UNABLE TO PUT A CUT
AND DRIED EXPULSION RESOLUTION TO A VOTE. IF THERE IS
A CLEAR VOTE, HOWEVER, THE BELGIANS WILL VOTE FOR
EXPULSION. FIRESTONE

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